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Sir:

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EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS
		US 2005/0172443 A1 (Corresponds to EP 1 256 496 A)	8/11/05	GENET et al.		
		US 6,944,905 B2 (Corresponds to DE 100 44 913 A1)	9/20/05	DE BLOCK et al.		
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										Eng. Abstract
		DE 100 14 803 (Corresponds to US 2003/0074763)	10/11/01	GERMANY						X
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OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	Search Report from French Patent Office issued on April 7, 2006 for the corresponding French patent application No. FR0314641 (a copy and English translation thereof)
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